

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Sunday 05 Feb 2023 until 23:59 on Monday 06 Feb 2023

Forecast Issued on Sunday 05 Feb 2023 at 02:41 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for dry, settled weather on Sunday. Also high confidence for change to cloudier, windier conditions for first half of next week with patchy light rain at times in west of area.

Headline for Sunday 05 Feb 2023: Dry. Sunny spells. High cloud edging in during afternoon and evening. Cold and becoming windy over higher ridges/summits.

Mountain weather hazards on Sunday 05 Feb 2023

Blizzards

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow

No Likelihood

Storm force winds

No Likelihood

Gales

Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect

High Likelihood

Poor visibility

No Likelihood

Thunderstorms

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

No Likelihood

Strong sunlight

No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
					
Cloudy	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy
Precipitation probability					
<05%	<05%	<05%	<05%	20%	30%

Forecast for Sunday 05 Feb 2023

Weather: A frost to start the day in the glens. Sunny spells on Sunday but sunshine turning hazy as higher cloud edges in during afternoon. Lower cloud reaching Mull and Lochaber during evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 90%.

Low Cloud and visibility: Air will have great clarity resulting in excellent visibility. Patches of cloud about 700m becoming more extensive in west during evening. Also an increasing canopy of high level cloud edging in during the day.

Forecast for Sunday 05 Feb 2023

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)				Wind Direction (blowing from)		
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	22/26 S	23/28 S	31/38 S	39/50 S	31/39 S	29/37 S	30/38 S
900	14/18 SW	18/22 S	21/28 S	27/37 S	21/30 S	20/29 S	20/28 S
600	17/20 S	15/18 SW	22/28 SW	34/43 S	27/34 S	26/34 S	25/32 S
300	9/11 S	10/14 S	11/17 SW	15/21 S	14/23 S	13/21 S	12/20 S
Glen	4/7 SW	8/15 S	7/19 SW	12/26 S	7/19 S	10/21 S	9/20 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
1300	-3/-11	0/-6	-3/-12	-4/-14	-4/-12	-2/-10	-1/-8
900	-1/-7	0/-6	-0/-7	-1/-9	-2/-8	0/-6	1/-5
600	2/-4	3/-2	2/-4	2/-5	2/-5	2/-4	3/-3
300	4/0	5/2	4/0	4/-0	4/-0	5/1	5/1
Glen	3/2	4/1	6/3	6/2	5/2	6/3	6/3
Freezing Level*	600m	500m	500m	600m	600m	1500m	1500m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Winds strengthening during afternoon over higher ridges and summits combined with temperatures close to freezing making it feel bitterly cold.

Forecast for Monday 06 Feb 2023

Weather: Rather cloudy and mostly dry. Thicker cloud in west over Mull, Glencoe and Lochaber will produce a little drizzle.

Maximum wind: Strong southwesterly winds, average speeds of 30mph with gusts 45mph over the tops.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30% best in east of area.

Low Cloud and visibility: Generally good visibility beneath the cloud which will be fairly extensive around 700 to 800m. Patches of cloud lower down near the west coast with occasionally poor visibility in drizzle.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 2 Celsius rising to 8 Celsius.

At 800m: Plus 2 Celsius.

Freezing level: 1200m.